

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF AGING (CDA)

FAX COVER SHEET

TO: All ADHC Providers

FROM: Adult Day Health Care Branch

DATE: February 24, 2010

SUBJECT: Changes to the ADHC Program Will Not Take Place

on March 1, 2010

This fax is being sent on behalf of Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) regarding the federal court ruling in Lillie Brantley, et al v. David Maxwell-Jolly.

A copy of DHCS' notice to beneficiaries is attached.

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If you do not receive all specified pages or if you have any questions regarding this transmission, please call (916) 419-7545.

February 24, 2010

Update on the Medi-Cal Adult Day Health Care Program

Dear ADHC Center:

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) recently notified you about upcoming changes to medical necessity and eligibility criteria for Adult Day Health Care services for Medi-Cal beneficiaries. The changes were scheduled to go into effect March 1, 2010.

We are sending you this notice to let you know that, due to a federal court ruling, (Lillie Brantley, et al v. David Maxwell-Jolly) changes to the ADHC program will not take place on March 1, 2010. This means that your center should continue to assess clients using the Individual Plan of Care (IPC) form that has been in use for the last few years.

DHCS released a revised IPC in the January 2010 Provider Bulletin. We are in process of reversing that information and revising all Provider Manual information to reflect the previous IPC and instructions. The sections of the Provider Manual we will reverse are: adu, adu tar ipc, and adutaripc.

DHCS will notify all Medi-Cal ADHC beneficiaries that the change to the ADHC program will not take place on March 1, 2010. A copy of that notice is attached. Electronic copies of the beneficiary notice may also be found on the DHCS website at http://www.dhcs.ca.gov and the Medi-Cal website at http://www.medi-cal.ca.gov. You may print, post and/or distribute the notice for your center's clients.

If you have additional questions about this update, or about the correct IPC to use when assessing your ADHC clients, please contact your local Medi-Cal field office, or your association. You may also call the California Department of Aging at 1-916-419-7545, or DHCS at 1-916-552-9400.

Attachment

February 24, 2010

Update on the Medi-Cal Adult Day Health Care Program

Dear ADHC Beneficiary:

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) sent a letter to you on February 1, 2010, about a change in how you qualify for Adult Day Health Care (ADHC) program services. We sent the letter because you may have received services from an ADHC center in the last year. The letter said that a change would happen on March 1, 2010.

This letter is to let you know that a federal court decision issued today stopped this change. This means that there will be <u>no change</u> in how you qualify for ADHC services.

If you have questions, please contact your ADHC provider. You may also call DHCS at 1-916-636-1980.